

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Kiefer et al.  
Serial No.: 10/552,103  
For: MELTING AND REFINING IN TANKS WITH COOLED WALLS  
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**Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**

**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 26, 2010, the period for reply having been extended three (3) months up to and including September 27, 2010, Applicants respond as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page **2** of this paper.

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page **3** of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page **8** of this paper.